

PUBLIC NOTICE

YOU HAVE A VOICE IN AIR POLLUTION CONTROL IN ARIZONA

The Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) has reached a preliminary determination and is proposing to issue Air Quality Control Renewal Permit No. 42474 to Freeport-McMoran Morenci, Inc. for the continued operation of an open pit copper mine facility located at 4521 US Highway 191, Morenci, Greenlee County, Arizona 85540. This is a renewal of operating permit #M110734P1-99. The mailing address of the facility is 4521 US Highway 191, Morenci, Greenlee County, Arizona 85540. The proposed permit is subject to the requirements of the Federal Clean Air Act, Arizona Revised Statute 49-426, and the Arizona Administrative Code, Title 18, Chapter 2, Article 3, 6, 7, and 9. This proposed permit will limit emissions of the following types of air contaminants: nitrogen oxides (NO_x), carbon monoxide (CO), sulfur dioxide (SO₂), volatile organic compounds (VOCs), particulate matter (PM), and particulate matter below 10 micron size (PM₁₀).

You have an opportunity to submit written comments on the Permit and make oral comments on the permit at the Public Hearing. ADEQ will be holding a Public Hearing on Monday, June 16, 2008, at 6:00 pm at the Courthouse Annex, 253 5th Street, Clifton, Arizona 85533. The written comment shall state the name and mailing address of the person, shall be signed by the person, their agent or attorney, and shall clearly set forth reasons why the Permit should or should not be issued. Grounds for comment are limited to whether the Permit meets the criteria for issuance spelled out in the state air pollution control laws or rules.

Materials related to the Permit, including the application, ADEQ's analysis and the draft documents are available for your review at ADEQ's office at 1110 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona and at the Office of The Clerk for Town of Clifton at 210 North Coronado Boulevard in Clifton, Arizona 85533.

Persons wishing to submit written comments can do so at the Public Hearing. If mailed, written comments must be received by June 16, 2008. Comments should be directed to: Director, Air Quality Division, Arizona Department of Environmental Quality, 1110 West Washington Street, 3415A-1, Phoenix, Arizona 85007-2935.

ADEQ will consider all comments received in making a final decision on the proposed Permit. Everyone commenting will receive notification of the final decision. People who file comments on the Permit will have the right to appeal the final decision as an appealable agency action to the Office of Administrative Hearing (OAH) pursuant to §41.1092.03, and the appeal must be filed within thirty (30) days after the issuance of the final decision. The OAH may sustain, modify, or reverse the final decision.

Persons with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation such as a sign language interpreter, by contacting Linda Morrison (602) 771-4793 TDD phone (602) 771-4829. Requests should be made as early as possible to allow time to arrange the accommodation.

If you would like to receive copies of future Public Notices of Air Pollution Control Permits, please provide a typewritten or a clearly printed copy of your name, address, and ZIP code, to the Director of Air Quality Division at ADEQ's address shown above. Your request should also state that you wish your name to be placed on the Air Quality Permit mailing list.

If you have any questions or would like to find out more information about this Permit, please contact Balaji Vaidyanathan at (602) 771-4527, toll free (800) 234-5677 ext. 771-4527, or at ADEQ's address shown above